Allegations against Manager of NCCF

1209. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 2674 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 2nd December 1988 and state:

(a) whether the said Manager (P&A) involved in various scandals is proposed to be given clean chit by mentioning that no separate records were maintained or available regarding the Public Distribution Scheme transactions during 1978-79 by the NCCF;

(b) whether the said officer has also since been indicted by the Central Vigilance Commission for committing irregularity in making appointments of 300 persons and for owning property and assets disproportionate to his sources of income; and

(c) if so, the details of action taken against him?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) No. sir.

(b) and (c) Enquiry Report aganist the Manager (P&A) has shown him *prima facie* responsible for certain irregularities in making appointments while the allegation regarding owning of assets disproportionate to his sources of income were not established. On the basis of the advice of the Central Vigilance Commission, major penalty proceedings are being initiated against him.

CBI enquiry into UPICA-NCCF deals regarding handling of Janata Cloth

1210. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to replies to Unstarred Questions 2981 and 2671 given in Rajya Sabha on 19.8.1988 and 2.12.88 respectively and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the constituent of NCCF in Uttar Pradesh, U.P. Upbhokta Sahkari Sangh has objected to the handling of Janata products of UPICA as according to Government directives, UPSS was the sole agency to deal with UPICA;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government of Uttar Pradesh is demanding CBI enquiry into UPICA-NCCF deal which is said to be a fake transaction to misappropriate Government subsidy and such information has been already given to NCCF by UPSS; and

(c) names of the Managing Director and Branch Manager of NCCF involved and what action is proposed to be taken against them for their involvement?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D.L. BAITHA): (a) NCCF is not aware of any directive of Govt. of Uttar Pradesh declaring U.P. Upbhokta Sahakari Sangh as a sole agency for dealing with UPICA and marketing their products. UPICA, Kanpur has been arranging supplies of Janata Cloth to NCCF as usual.

(b) NCCF have reported that they have not received any information from the government of Uttar Pradesh suggesting the handing over of the case to the CBI for investigation of the complaints of fake transactions of Janata Handloom cloth by UPICA and NCCF.

(c) Since no irregularities have been established in the deal, the question of taking any action against any officer of NCCF does not arise.

Payment of penalty by NCCF for non-fulfilment of export obligation in wheat bran case by M/s Regent International, Bombay

1211. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES to be pleased to refer to reply to Starred Question 183 given in Rajya Sabha on the 6th May, 1986 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that NCCF had to pay a penalty of Rs. 2.00 lacs to CCI&E,